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To: [Hamilton](#)  
[Karen;Fowler](#)  
["Sarah; Garcia"](#)  
[Bert;](#)  
CC:  
Date: 9/9/2014 2:03:26 PM  
Subject: RE: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting - draftresponse to mine

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Hi - I'm in the office those days but will need to leave at 2:30. Currently I'm free from 1:00-2:30 each day...

-----Original Message-----

From: Hamilton, Karen  
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 1:58 PM  
To: Fowler, Sarah; Garcia, Bert; Perkins, Erin  
Subject: FW: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting - draft response to mine

-----Original Message-----

From: Lazuk, Raymond [mailto:Raymond\_Lazuk@FMI.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 1:50 PM  
To: Hamilton, Karen; McWhirter, Lesley A SPK  
Cc: Ott, Toney; Deely, Sheila H.  
Subject: RE: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting - draft response to mine

Hello Karen and Lesley,

Thank you again for your willingness to meet with Climax as per the August 28 email below. We would like to meet in person at EPA's office in Denver the afternoon of either September 24, 25 or 26. Please let us know if those dates are convenient for you.

- Ray

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-----Original Message-----

From: Hamilton, Karen [mailto:Hamilton.Karen@epa.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 1:36 PM  
To: Lazuk, Raymond  
Cc: McWhirter, Lesley A SPK; Ott, Toney  
Subject: FW: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting - draft response to mine

Dear Mr Lazuk:

We have concurred with the Corps' draft jurisdictional determination for McNulty Gulch. If you would like to have a meeting about your position on the 1974 NPDES permit as it pertains to this JD, the Corps needs to be included in that meeting. You may coordinate a date and time for EPA's attendance at that meeting with me.

Sincerely

Karen

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lazuk, Raymond [mailto:Raymond\_Lazuk@FMI.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:34 AM

To: McWhirter, Lesley A SPK

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting

Hi Lesley,

Thanks again for the phone discussion yesterday. Since I did not hear back from you yesterday it appears that EPA has not yet responded. Please provide me with the name of the EPA official that you sent your JD recommendation to and we can reach out to that person.

Thanks,

- Ray

From: Lazuk, Raymond

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2014 9:47 AM

To: McWhirter, Lesley A SPK (Lesley.A.McWhirter@usace.army.mil)

Subject: RE: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting

Hi Lesley,

This is to follow up on my email below and phone conversation with you last Wednesday. Can you please provide a contact at EPA for us to discuss our position regarding the 1974 NPDES permit and JD with?

Thanks,

- Ray

From: Lazuk, Raymond

Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2014 11:01 AM

To: McWhirter, Lesley A SPK (Lesley.A.McWhirter@usace.army.mil)

Cc: Nall, Susan SPK (Susan.Nall@usace.army.mil); Finan, Michael C SPK (Michael.C.Finan@usace.army.mil); Joshua.R.Holmes@usace.army.mil; Deely, Sheila H.; Decker, D. Lee; 'Robert M. Andersen' (randersen@ClarkHill.com)

Subject: EPA Contact for Climax Mine Section 404 Permitting

Lesley,

Thank you for the recent opportunity to discuss your preliminary conclusions and recommendations regarding the jurisdictional determination (JD) of the McNulty Gulch study area prior to submittal to EPA.

As you are aware, our position regarding the extent of the waste treatment system exemption as applied to the McNulty Gulch drainage area at the

Climax Mine turns on language from the original NPDES permit that EPA Region 8 issued to Climax in 1974. That permit (p. 6 of 17 (Section (B)(1))) directly required construction , operation, and maintenance of the east and west interceptors at the mine to convey clean water around the mine site, allow impacted water within the mine site to be treated, and to ensure compliance with effluent limitations.

Because the 1974 NPDES permit issued by EPA establishes the scope and configuration of the waste treatment system for the Climax Mine, along with the fact that the application of the waste treatment exemption is largely defined by Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, we believe it is important that Climax discuss the appropriate application of the waste treatment system directly with EPA, as it has with the Corps. We would very much appreciate your advising us as to who you are specifically conferring with at EPA, and we would be grateful if you would pass along this message to them.

- Ray

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